

Stoke Rochford & Easton Parish Council

Minutes of Stoke Rochford & Easton Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Date: Tuesday 31st January 2023

Venue: Easton Walled Gardens 6-30 p.m.

Councillors present Cllr Fred Cholmeley
Cllr Neil McCorquodale
Cllr George McCorquodale
Cllr Martin Thompson
Cllr William Graham
Cllr Sam Nadin

Clerk & RFO Mrs Emma Wilson

Open session

No parishioners were present.

1.	Chairman's Welcome Remarks		
		The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	Apologies		
		Received from Cllr Chris Gait; reason for absence were noted & accepted.	
3.	Disclosure of interest in agenda items - Nil		
4.	To approve Minutes of meeting held on the 29th November 2022		
		The draft minutes having been circulated prior to the meeting were agreed and proposed to be a true and accurate record. They were passed as approved by resolution of the Council and signed by the Chairman.	
5.	Clerks Report		
	a.	Parish/Town Council Elections - 4 May 2023	
		Circulated copy Election Timetable 4 May 2023-Statutory Dates. Discussed Notice of elections to be put on notice boards. Nomination Papers must hand delivered to SKDC between 20 March to 4th April. <i>Action: On receipt Clerk to email out Notice of election to be displayed in both villages.</i>	
6.	Correspondence (circulated at time of receipt and documented for information)		
	a.	Grantham Transport Strategy (i) Email summary and (ii) Full document	
	b.	SKDC – Adoption of Local Government Association's model Councillor Code of Conduct	
		The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to assist you, as a councillor, in modelling the behaviour that is expected of you, to provide a personal check and balance, and to set out the type of conduct that could lead to action being taken against you. It is also to protect you, the public, fellow councillors, local authority officers and the reputation of local government. It sets out general principles of conduct expected of all councillors and your specific obligations in relation to standards of conduct. To be reviewed and if agreed adopted at next meeting. <i>Action: Clerk to add to agenda to adopt for approval next meeting.</i>	
	c.	Grantham Southern Relief Road – January update 2023	
7.	Planning (circulated via email) – listed for record only		
	a.	S22_2197 01/12/22 Approval DECISION NOTICE Demolition Manufacturing Facility Christian Salvesen Ltd Burton Lane Easton (proposed demolition of existing food manufacturing facility, existing Plant Room and existing canteen)	
8.	Accounts to be paid January 2023		
	a.	Clerk's Salary/HP	£530.21 000447
	b.	PC Expenses	£ 78.20 000448
	c.	LALC Subscription Stoke Rochford & Easton Annual Support	£ 76.82 000449
	d.	EWG Meeting Room	£ 50.00 000450
		Total	£735.23
9.	Clerks hourly rate – Action from May 2022 (deferred from Nov 2022 meeting)		
		A discussion was had amongst the councillors about appropriate pay level for the clerk. An agreement followed on 7.5% increase annually on current pay rate and will take effect from April 2023; this was approved by resolution of the Council. The clerk will diary forward to remind the council annually prior to the increase.	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7-00 p.m.

Signed: Hard Copy with signature on file Date: 28/03/23

Chairman, Stoke Rochford & Easton Parish Council